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THE DOORSTEP.

BY E. C. STEEDMAN.

The conference meeting through at last

We boys around the belfry waited,
To see the girls come flitting past,

Like snowbirds willing to be mated.

Not braver he that leaps a wall

By level mustard flashes litten,

Than I, who stepped before them all,

Who longed to see me get the mitten.

But no—she blushed and took my arm,

We let the old folks have the highway,

And started toward the Maple Farm,

Along a kind of lovers' byway.

I can't remember what we said,

Twas nothing worth a song or story.

Yet that rude path by which we sped

Seemed all transformed in glory.

The snow was crisp beneath our feet.

The moon was full, the fields were gleaming,

By hood and tippet, sheltered sweet,

Her face with youth and health was beaming.

The little hand outside her mitten—

O, sculptor, if you could but mould it!—

So lightly touched my jacket outer.

To keep it warm I had to hold it.

To have her with me—there alone—

Twas love and fear and triumph blended;

At last we reached the foot-warm stone

Where the delicious journey ended.

She shook her ringlets from her hood,

And with a "Thank you, Charles," dis-

sented,

But yet I know I understood

With what a darling wish I trembled.

A cloud passed kindly overhead,

The moon was silly creeping through it,

Yet hid its face as if it said,

Come, now or never! do it! do it!

My lips till then had only known

The kiss of mother and of sister,

But somehow full upon her own

Sweet, rosy darling mouth I kissed her.

Perhaps twas boyish love, yet still,

O lisless woman, weary lover,

To feel once more that fresh, wild thrill.

I'd give—but who could live youth over?

It is much easier to think right

than to do right without thinking

right. Just thoughts may, and often

do fail of producing just deeds; but

just deeds are sure to beget just

thoughts.

Let your daily duties be undone,

and you will soon be so yourself.

FARMER GRIMES' SECOND WIFE.

BY CLARA VANCE.

"You're tired and sick, Sally; fac-
is you're killing yourself with work
and I've been a fool not to see it."

"I ain't killin' myself, John, and
I'd rather go on just the same. The
boys are grown, and there are no
little ones to take care of. Besides,
I'm used to my own ways, and
shouldn't like any one to break into 'em.
Jerry's place is so convenient,
too—I know it well; it won't be hard
to work there."

Still work, work; it has grown to
be a habit, and there was no charm
that could win her from it.

They were settled in the house—
their own house, and much of the
old furniture was replaced by new;
yet so fearful was the good wife that
things would not be kept just up to
the point where she found them, that
it was scrub and delve, delve and
scrub, from morning till night, just
the old way, only a little worse.

At last, nature would hold out no
longer. After enjoying the new
farm for six months, Sally complained
one evening that she felt strangely
fallen down in a fainting fit, and
was taken to bed, never to leave
again.

Poor John Grimes! he bore a help-
less, melancholy face at the funeral,
and his new, smart house felt like a
new, smart tomb, where the bricks,
the paint and varnish are all fresh.

It took him two years to get ac-
customed to his loneliness, and he
might have lived on, single, forever,
if some presumptuous friends had
not undertaken to find him a wife,
and then almost do his wooing for
him.

Dolly Duncan was the party fixed
upon to fill the place of the late Mrs.
Grimes. She was an active, enter-
prising woman, who no one thought
of calling old maid, though she had
turned the corner of thirty. She
was a merry, almost jolly person,
who knew how to take care of herself,
and had always declared that she
never wanted a husband on her
hands. She had a little homestead,
full of sunshine, and she wouldn't
thank the best man that ever trod in
two shoes to ask her to change her
condition." But somehow Dolly did
come to have the prefix of "Mrs."
before her name. She went into the
house of farmer Grimes, and gloom
took itself off at sound of her merry
laugh—at sight of her sunny face.

She must have help, she said, the
first thing; smart, capable help.
John rather opened his eyes at this,
for it seemed a new doctrine trans-
fused into the old life, but he was
able to bear it, and forthwith a strong
girl was installed in the kitchen.
Still John Grimes, having acquired
the habit, stooped as he walked, and
looked as if strange perplexities had
got hold of him. It quite startled
him, one fine spring morning, when
his wife asked him to spade up a bit
of land in a favorite spot, where she
could plant flowers, and stranger
still, commissioned him to go to the
city and procure some choice seeds
and slips. Why, Sally would never
have known that great truth, and
she is a very happy wife and mother.

Time to read why, the good woman
would almost have laughed in
the face of one who asked the ques-
tion. Look at her work and then
imagine, if you could, that she had
any time. She had not even leisure
to eat her meals properly; what with
cooking huge messes of pork and
beef, cabbage and potatoes, filling
tub after tub with apple sauce,
making all the cheese and bread and
butter for the household, and the
hired men, how could she eat her
meals as she should?

Strange to say, she never regretted
all this outlay of strength—all this
waste of human life. Ever before
her was the prospect of that pleasant
farm, cleared, planted, and paid for.
She wanted no help, except when
her children were born, and even
then she gave the wearied form no
time for repose, but stitched and
mended, propped up by pillows, be-
fore nerve or muscle were able to
perform their proper functions.

Thus it was that she grew shrunk-
en and old before her time—grew into
a machine of flesh and blood that
never slackened in the huge toil it
had taken upon itself to bear. The
husband became accustomed to the
pale face, and so often had he listened
to her oft-repeated declaration
that she would not have help, that
at last he gave up all thought of it.
She never took rides in the sweet
country roads—she had no time to
rest and love flowers—she never vis-
ited—she had always "something to
do."

One day the farmer came in early
in the afternoon. It was an unusual
hour for him, and his wife said so,
looking up from a huge pile of
mending.

"Well," he flushed and smiled,
as he seated himself in one of the
uncomfortable kitchen chairs, "I've
bought Jerry's place at last, and I
mean to, Providence permitting."

"I don't know but you're right,
Dolly," said the farmer, nervously
tingling his hair; "but what shall
I do? There ain't no more help to
be had."

Dolly pointed from the door.
"See here, John, she said quietly,
there's a little house on your farm,
doing nobody good, and being ruined
by dry rot. Fit it up and let Harry
Lettie take it. Give him ground
for a good garden, a privilege in the
wood-lot, and a small sum yearly;
he will bring his wife here, and she
will help me; then let the men eat at
their table, you paying the difference
of expense, and you will save more,
and health, besides having a good
reliable man always within call."

"I am, dear," and Sally struggled
to overcome her grief, "but such a
onesome, drearison feeling came
over me then. I only thought of the
dead babies in their graves."

John Grimes looked at his cut-
little wife uneasily. It is just possi-

ble he drew a comparison, mentally,
between the ever-saving Sally and
his more expensive helpmeet. After
they had talked together, and he
elt and saw that Dolly had a mind
of her own, and she had made it up.
With her merry brown eyes upon his
ace, what could he do but submit?
So the plan was put in execution.

The next move of this adroit little
woman was to induce her husband
to procure a neat new carriage, and
after that, as she couldn't drive very
well, John must go out every day
and drive for her. John did not
like this at first. It broke in upon
his habit of taking a "snooze," as he
called it, after tea; but the break-up
put new life into him. It was a
great point gained to get him into a
clean suit of clothes for supper, and
the John Grimes, sitting at the table,
with freshly combed hair and clean
collar, was a far handsomer man
than the John of old, and Dolly took
pains to tell him she thought so.

"Now for a paper," was Dolly's
next move, and she did pull the
wires admirably. John thought it
was extravagance. New-fangled
notions were not to his liking, and it
took a long time for the cunning
Dolly to gain her point. Not but
what she might have done it
herself, but she was reforming the
man—don't you see? Like a true
woman, she never gave up, but, after
every failure, changed her tactics,
and came off conqueror at last. A
splendid paper, that treated largely
of farming, soon lay on his table,
and John acknowledged a year after,
to Dolly, that it was queer, but he
had really learned some things
that he didn't know before. He had
actually saved twenty dollars by a
judicious outlay of two.

The result of all these little plans
is (to Dolly is a blooming fact to-
day, in spite of her forty-nine years)
that if the reader had happened to
know John Grimes twenty years
ago, and should see him to-day, he
would not recognize him for the
same man. Dolly knew what she
was about when she took upon herself
the matronly office. Three lovely
children are growing up under
that happy roof, and the farmer sees
that with judicious management and
a little outlay he might have bought
his farm, and kept his wife and
bairns—for, however prettily we
may talk of the "angels in heaven,"
it is certain that the human race
were not destined to die off like
sheep in the first and tenderest years
of existence. But it was for Dolly
to teach him that great truth, and
she is a very happy wife and mother.

THE CHARM OF MARRIED LIFE.—
If in that chair yonder, not the one
your feet lies upon, but the one be-
side you, closer yet, were seated a
pale-faced girl, with a pretty foot
lying out upon the hearth, a bit of
lace running round the swelling of
the throat, the hair parted to a charm
over a forehead fair as any of our
dreams; and if you could reach an
arm around that chairback without
giving offense, and suffer your fingers
to play idle with those curls that
escape down the neck, and if you
clasp with your hand those little
white taper fingers of hers, which
lie so temptingly within reach, and
so talk softly and low in the pres-
ence of the blaze, while the hours
slip without knowledge, and the winter
winds whistle unceas- for; if,
in short, you were no bachelor, but
the husband of some sweet image,
would it not be far more pleasant
than to be, of a cold winter night,
sitting counting the sticks, reck-
oning the length of the blaze and list-
ening to the wind howling through
the corridors and the rain patter-
ing against the window panes.

A CLEVER YANKEE FARMER, being
much troubled with rats, and being
determined to get rid of them, tried
every possible plan, but without
success. At last he got a lot of rats
and shut them up in a single cage;
they devoured one after till only a
single one was left. He then turned
this one

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REDWOOD CITY, SATURDAY, APRIL 9.

NEW YORK AGENCY.—Hudson & Menet are our only authorized Agents in New York. Their office is at No. 41 Park Row.
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SAN FRANCISCO AGENCY.—L. P. Fisher, Rooms 20 and 21 Merchants' Exchange Building, California street, is our only authorized Agent in San Francisco to receive advertisements and subscriptions, payable only in gold or silver coin.

THE STARVING WORKMEN.—We saw some two hundred or more men at work shoveling sand, at the old Yerba Buena Cemetery on Market street, on last Tuesday, and had the curiosity to notice the manner in which they were putting in the time. We said we saw some two hundred men at work, but that needs some considerable qualification, for although there were probably that number on the ground armed with long-handled shovels, there was no time that over twenty-five or thirty of the crowd were at work—the great majority being smoking their pipes and resting their shovels by leaning on them. All of those men were probably under pay, at two dollars per day, by the city, and were a part of the crowd of two thousand that marched in a body to the Mayor's office last week and demanded work or bread. It is no exaggeration to say that twenty Chinamen would do more work in one day than two hundred such white laborers as those we saw nursing their shovels in San Francisco the other day.

PUGNACIOUS.—Things haven't been very quiet and lovely about the Capital during the recent session of the Legislature. First, Assemblymen M. Hayes and McMillan, of San Francisco, had a rough and tumble fight, and then one of the belligerent Kelley family assaulted Kincaid in the Senate Chamber on account of his vote on the Chinese question; but the last night of the session was particularly lively. Jim Hawkins, a noted member of the Third House, put a huge head on the Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, and Assemblyman Odell, of Sacramento, had a scrimmage with one of the Enrolling Clerks, which terminated in the dignified Assemblyman shooting the Clerk through the hand. These are a few of the little pleasantries indulged in at the Capital during the session just closed, all of which has a tendency to give tone to the Legislature and lobby of California.

NEGRO CELEBRATION.—The colored people of San Francisco celebrated the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment in an imposing manner on last Tuesday. The procession was at least one mile in length, and there could not have been less than two thousand people in the procession, all of whom were in carriages except the military companies. The most notable feature in the whole procession was a large carriage tastefully decorated with flags and containing thirty little black girls dressed in white and bare headed. As the procession moved from Washington into Montgomery streets, we noticed Frank Washington of the *Examiner*, pacing back and forth on Washington street, just below Montgomery, with a copious flow of tears trickling down his Democratic cheeks as he gazed upon the sad spectacle. The thought that this was the funeral procession of the Democratic party overcame the stalwart Colonel, and he pensively wended his way to the *Examiner* office to reflect upon the vicissitudes of human affairs generally. We might as well add that most of the drivers were white men of the Democratic persuasion.

NEW VOTERS.—The Fifteenth Amendment proclamation having been issued by the President of the United States, the negroes have already commenced getting their names on the Great Register in San Jose, as we learn from the *Mercury* of last Wednesday. All negroes born in the United States, who are over 21 years of age, are now entitled to be registered and to vote in this State. They will most of them vote the Democratic ticket—in a pig's eye.

THE FASTEST TIME ON RECORD.—The Assembly of this State, on last Monday evening, disposed of sixty bills in two hours—two minutes to each bill. If any other State can beat this time we should like to hear of it.—*Amador Dispatch*.

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THE "EXAMINER" IN CLOVER.—Judge Morrison, of the Fourth District Court, has made an order designating the *Examiner* as the paper in which legal advertisements must be published in the county of San Francisco. Judge McKee has selected the *Oakland Transcript* as the official paper for Alameda County. These are the only appointments thus far made public, so far as we are advised.

FOR SALE.—Mr. Poor, of the *Vallejo Recorder*, advertises a half interest in the paper for sale, and Sanford C. Baker advertises for sale the *Advertiser*, a gratuitous advertising paper published at Vallejo.

A Cheyenne paper says that birds are soaring around there, but they are jailbirds, and soar at the end of the rope.

The Agony is Over.

We enjoyed the pleasure—mingled with no little mortification—of witnessing the expiring antics of the eighteenth session of the Legislature of California, on last Monday night. It was a pleasure to think that the horde of public robbers at the Capital was about to be dispersed, while at the same time it was mortifying to see what a complete farce law-making is in this State. To say that it was simply a burlesque on legislative bodies is scarcely putting it in strong enough language. An old-fashioned town meeting, or a political caucus, would really be dignified bodies in comparison with the Assembly of California. No doubt the journals of both the Senate and Assembly will show that a large number of bills were passed and an immense amount of important business was transacted on the last day of the session, but we have no hesitation in saying that seven-eighths of the members have no more idea of what was done than if they had been one hundred miles away. If any of the members ever did have any curiosity to learn what had been done on the previous day, they look for information to the reports of the proceedings in the *Sacramento Union*, or some other daily paper. While coming down on the Western Pacific train on the next day after the close of the session, we asked one of the Santa Clara members what disposition had finally been made of the Mortgage Tax bill. He replied that he didn't know exactly, but he believed that it had been either passed or defeated—he couldn't tell which. There has unquestionably been less ability and more rascality in the Legislature of 1869-'70 than that of any preceding one. The members have been "on the make," and in fact that seems to have been their principle object, and what little talent they had was let loose for that purpose. But "their month is up," they have departed from the halls of legislation, and the places that once knew them will know most of them no more forever. A great majority of the members have lost the respect of their constituents. They have succeeded in accomplishing one thing which was supposed to be a difficult feat to perform, and that is, they have even brought disgrace upon the noble old Democratic party—the party that slipped into power in this State under the delusive pretext of demanding retirement and reform.

We congratulate the people of California upon their good fortune in having anything at all left after the close of the late session of the Legislature. We consider it exceedingly fortunate that the State House wasn't swapped off for stock in the San Mateo Tanning Company.

There is another thing that the people have reason to be thankful for, and that is, that they had Henry H. Haight for Governor of this State instead of George C. Gorham. If there is any one man in California entitled to the gratitude of a suffering people, that man is Governor Haight. Although he has signed some bills in our opinion he should have vetoed, still, the way he has thwarted the thieving, swindling lobbyists, and the unprincipled cabal of legislators, entitle him to the esteem and confidence of all honest right-minded people. Had Gorham been Governor of this State, with such a Legislature as the one just expired, there wouldn't have been anything left for future Legislatures to steal. But, thank the Lord, the country is comparatively safe. Brother Fitzgerald, let us pray!

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Colored men throughout the nation are celebrating the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment.

A Rough Road.

The Vallejo papers have had so much to say about the Western Pacific Railroad being in such a horrible condition as to render it unsafe for travelers, while at the same time they have represented the Vallejo route as the only quick, safe and comfortable route between San Francisco and Sacramento, that we went to Sacramento by that route on last Monday, and we only say what other passengers who have recently passed over the road say, when we state that the California Pacific Railroad, between Vallejo and Sacramento, is the "hardest road to travel" that we have seen for the past thirty-five years. The road-bed appears to be in a bad condition, and the running gear of the cars seem to be in the same fix, and it is about as much as one can do to keep on the seat. It is difficult to see what excuse the Company can have for allowing their track to get into such a demoralized condition, considering the favorable winter just passed. We were told, however, that it was in consequence of the heavy dew which fell on the night previous, which so softened the road-bed as to cause it to settle so badly in many places. We won't undertake to vouch for the truth of this explanation, but simply give it for what it is worth. The California Pacific has the shortest route, but they cannot expect to secure the travel unless they keep their road in better order. Most of the passengers who went up by that route returned by the Western Pacific in consequence of the roughness of the track of the California Pacific, notwithstanding the distance is at least thirty miles greater by the way of Stockton. The track of the Western Pacific is in excellent condition, and their cars being much heavier than those of the California Pacific, there is less jerking and bouncing around. There is a difference in favor of the Vallejo route in point of time of just one hour and a half.

A Big Speculation Fell Through.—A Havana dispatch of the 2d says a small party of soldiers foraging on the line of the Neuvitas Railroad were attacked and killed by insurgents.

A correspondent, writing from Key West, Florida, states that there are 1,500 or more Cuban refugees in that city.

A surveying party of the Memphis, El Paso and Pacific Railroad, under Colonel Gray, is in Otay valley, locating the first section from San Diego.

Nineteen babies a week are left in the basket of the New York Foundling Hospital.

In Indiana they burn down an unpopular preacher's house as a hint to him to leave.

The horse thieves caught in Texas are induced to resist a little, and then are killed on the spot.

The *Mercury* complains that the boys in San Jose are very rude.

The fact is California will soon require one of two things—an epidemic peculiarly fatal to boys or an enlarged penitentiary.

REFUSED THE PROFFERED INSULT.—On Saturday, when the Senate received the Governor's veto of Senate bill No. 428, relative to a street railway in the town of Santa Clara, the Senator from that county, Maclay made the insulting motion that the message be laid on the table; because, as he said, the Governor had promised to sign the bill! The Senator did not believe the statement, or did believe the veto well founded, for they voted to sustain it by a majority of ten; and so Maclay had to pocket his own insult, which was altogether unprovoked, since he knew the Governor's fixed resolve not to approve that sort of special legislation.

THE ALEXANDRIA LIMP.—Princess Alexandria, wife of the Prince of Wales, is slightly lame. The London correspondent of the San Francisco *Chronicle* says that the women of fashion in that city now have their shoes so made, by lengthening one heel to a much greater extent than the other, that this limp of the Princess may be imitated in walking.

This Alexandria hobble is now all the rage among English ladies of the upper tandem. It is astonishing to what depths of silliness fashion and fashion-makers can sink people, men oftentimes as well as women, who lay claims to intellect, education and high civilization.

NOT VERY ZEALOUS.—The Roman Catholic servant girls of New York, having been assessed one dollar per month to build a cathedral, have struck for higher wages, being inclined to let their employers build a cathedral. This does not say much for the strength of their religious fervor, and is rather a cool proposition, considering the fact that probably two-thirds of their employers are Protestants. It is by no means likely that the latter will submit to this species of indirect taxation, and the girls will be eventually compelled to pay the contribution themselves, without getting any credit for it.

THE NUMBER.—Governor Haight smothered sixty-one bills—probably because he hadn't time to examine many of the members of this Democratic Legislature have done extraordinarily well—some of them having made as high as \$20,000 for their services during this session. We don't think of any thieving Republicans who ever done as well as that.

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Isaac N. Dawley has been appointed Special Post Office Department Agent for Colorado, New Mexico and Oregon, vice N. P. Duffield.

News Items.

A Madrid dispatch of April 3d says: In the Cortes yesterday, Senor Morat, the new Colonial Minister, in reply to a question from a Unionist Deputy, said his policy in regard to Colonial reforms would be the same as that of his predecessors. He expressed a belief in the rumors of disastrous events in Cuba; and discredited the report that there was any diplomatic arrangement between the United States and Great Britain on the Cuban question.

A disastrous fire occurred in the Indiana State Prison on the 3d inst. The cells were entirely destroyed. One convict, a colored boy, was suffocated in his cell. The shops and factories in connection with the prison were not injured. The fire raged from 3 to half-past 8 p. m. The loss is not yet known. The State of Indiana suffers the entire loss.

The oldest man alive, says the Frankfort (N. H.) *Union*, is living in Osipee, in that State, named Joshua Kenod, who, according to the best information, is 160 years old.

Hope Scott, who married Miss Lockhart, the granddaughter of Sir Walter Scott, is said to have a law practice of \$100,000 a year.

The High Court has condemned Prince Bonaparte to pay the family of Victor Noir 25,000 francs; also to pay the cost of the civil suit.

A terrible gale, attended with much loss of property and some loss of life, occurred in New York City on the 27th ult.

Prince Bonaparte has been acquitted. The news produces everywhere intense sensation, and is the universal topic of conversation.

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A correspondent, writing from Key West, Florida, states that there are 1,500 or more Cuban refugees in that city.

A surveying party of the Memphis, El Paso and Pacific Railroad, under Colonel Gray, is in Otay valley, locating the first section from San Diego.

Nineteen babies a week are left in the basket of the New York Foundling Hospital.

In Indiana they burn down an unpopular preacher's house as a hint to him to leave.

The horse thieves caught in Texas are induced to resist a little, and then are killed on the spot.

The *Mercury* complains that the boys in San Jose are very rude.

The fact is California will soon require one of two things—an epidemic peculiarly fatal to boys or an enlarged penitentiary.

REFUSED THE PROFFERED INSULT.—On Saturday, when the Senate received the Governor's veto of Senate bill No. 428, relative to a street railway in the town of Santa Clara, the Senator from that county, Maclay made the insulting motion that the message be laid on the table; because, as he said, the Governor had promised to sign the bill! The Senator did not believe the statement, or did believe the veto well founded, for they voted to sustain it by a majority of ten; and so Maclay had to pocket his own insult, which was altogether unprovoked, since he knew the Governor's fixed resolve not to approve that sort of special legislation.

THE ALEXANDRIA LIMP.—Princess Alexandria, wife of the Prince of Wales, is slightly lame. The London correspondent of the San Francisco *Chronicle* says that the women of fashion in that city now have their shoes so made, by lengthening one heel to a much greater extent than the other, that this limp of the Princess may be imitated in walking.

This Alexandria hobble is now all the rage among English ladies of the upper tandem. It is astonishing to what depths of silliness fashion and fashion-makers can sink people, men oftentimes as well as women, who lay claims to intellect, education and high civilization.

NOT VERY ZEALOUS.—The Roman Catholic servant girls of New York, having been assessed one dollar per month to build a cathedral, have struck for higher wages, being inclined to let their employers build a cathedral. This does not say much for the strength of their religious fervor, and is rather a cool proposition, considering the fact that probably two-thirds of their employers are Protestants. It is by no means likely that the latter will submit to this species of indirect taxation, and the girls will be eventually compelled to pay the contribution themselves, without getting any credit for it.

THE NUMBER.—Governor Haight smothered sixty-one bills—probably because he hadn't time to examine many of the members of this Democratic Legislature have done extraordinarily well—some of them having made as high as \$20,000 for their services during this session. We don't think of any thieving Republicans who ever done as well as that.

A STATESMAN SURPRISED.—Assemblyman Oates, commonly called "Tribblecock Oates," of Nevada, was presented with a gold-headed cane on last Monday evening by some of the members of the Assembly. As a matter of course, the presentation was all a perfect surprise to the Nevada statesman, and wholly unexpected, although he had his grateful speech written down, which he proceeded to read with much difficulty.

Colored men throughout the nation are celebrating the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment.

Isaac N. Dawley has been appointed Special Post Office Department Agent for Colorado, New Mexico and Oregon, vice N. P. Duffield.

After the successful attack of Col. Baker on an encampment of hostile Indians in Montana, one big fellow was found alive in his tepee, who had killed two of his wives with his knife, and piled their dead bodies over him to hide him. This is an act of him to hide, meanness and cold-blooded unexampled even in Indian history. It is unnecessary to say that the wretch did not live long after he was found in this condition.

I. O. O. F.

NOTICE.—ALL MEMBERS OF BAY View Lodge, No. 109, I. O. O. F., are hereby notified that the Grand Sire of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States and Canada and Master of the State of California, and other distinguished officers, will visit the Lodge officially, on Wednesday, April 17th, 1870.

A full attendance is requested, as business of importance will come before the Lodge.

All sojourning brothers in good standing are cordially invited to attend.

JOHN SHELLEY, N. G. S.

CHAS. E. BENJAMIN, R. S.

Redwood City, April 2d, 1870.

APOLOGY.—We feel like apologizing to our readers for the miserable apology for paper that we were compelled to use last week in getting out the *Gazette* in its new dress. We ordered a superior quality of paper and paid an extra price for it, with a view of presenting a respectable looking paper, but discovered when too late that we had been "bilked." It was a little too white for brown paper, and a little too thin for pasteboard, and hardly nap enough on it to pass for sheep's gray cloth. We felt mean enough over it, anyhow.

THE PICNIC GROUNDS.—The Board of Supervisors have granted to the Railroad Company the privilege of laying a track up the Hawes' lane to the picnic grounds. The Fenians have decided to hold their next annual picnic at this place some time in the first part of next month. The laying of the track so that the trains can be run directly on to the grounds, will have the effect to induce many excursions to this place that otherwise would go to some other locality.

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THE GAZETTE.

Board of Supervisors' Meeting.

The Board met on Monday, April 4th; all of the members present except McMahon, of the First township.

A resolution was passed approving the bill allowing the several townships to issue bonds for road purposes, and also a bill granting power to the Supervisors to change township lines, and directing that a copy of the resolution be telegraphed to Messrs. Kinkaid and Finney.

A petition was presented for a road from Butano Bridge to Pigeon Point, in the Sixth township, and also a protest from Clark & Coburn, with a claim for damages. A. S. Easton, S. P. Coburn, and A. Gordon were appointed as viewers, who were to meet for organization April 8th.

H. Pullen and others presented a petition for change of road from Belmont to Byrne's Store. Action deferred till Wednesday.

P. Feeney and others petitioned for a road in the First township, which is opposed by Cabannes & Duprey. Deferred till Wednesday.

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The Board met pursuant to adjournment. Supervisor McMahon absent.

The Sheriff was authorized to make repairs on the Jail, at an expense not to exceed \$35.

The following bills were allowed: J. S. Keith, Justice's fees, \$9 00; Hilton & Titus, repairs on Jail, \$35 00; Scofield & Warren, county printing, \$41 00; A. Peers, supplies to indigent sick, \$21 00; salaries and mileage of Supervisors, \$212 00; T. W. Lathrop, Sheriff's fees, \$53 75; Sheriff, board of prisoners, \$55 13; B. F. Cooper, supplies for Jail, \$16 50; John Shelly, repairing gates, \$15 00; J. C. Edgar, grading Second street, \$34 48; Peter Early, grading streets, \$35 65; John Martin, work on Court House lot, \$22 50; S. L. Knights, express charges, \$14 50; E. Gavreau, examining insane, \$5 00; J. E. Tate, Clerk's fees in criminal cases, \$7 00; H. Henry, care of indigent sick, \$516 37; Eugène Walker, Constable's fees, \$23 00; S. S. Merrill, supplies to indigent sick, \$21 00;

The quarterly report of the County Treasurer was read and ordered on file.

The petition of P. Feeney and others, for a road in the First township, was taken up and considered. A protest and claim for damages by Cabannes and Duprey were presented, and a bond in the sum of \$2,000 having been filed. A. S. Easton, Patrick McMahon, and F. E. Pierce were appointed viewers, to meet on Monday, April 11th.

In the matter of the petition of H. Pullen and others, for change of road from Belmont to Byrnes, a protest and claim for damages by C. Bollinger and D. E. Bare, were presented and the matter laid over till next Tuesday.

A petition was presented by Robt. Turnbull, J. E. Skidmore and others, asking for the erection of a calaboose at San Mateo, "for the security of prisoners and the detention of breakers of the peace." The matter was referred to the District Attorney.

A petition was presented asking a change of the boundary line between Pulgas and San Mateo townships, and action thereon postponed till Tuesday next.

The Railroad Company was granted the right to lay a track up the Hawes Lane to the picnic grounds.

An appropriation of \$40 was made for the Assessor's office, and \$50 for the Clerk's office.

The Board adjourned to meet on Tuesday, April 12th, 1870.

THE CROPS.—In swinging around the circle a few days ago—going to Sacramento by the way of Vallejo and back by the way of Stockton—we made it a point to take a survey of the crops in the different sections through which we passed. In Solano and Yolo Counties the crops seemed to be very good, also most of the way between Sacramento and Stockton; but between Stockton and Livermore Valley, vegetation looked sick. This side of Livermore Valley the crops looked fine, but nowhere on the route did we see crops look so well as in San Mateo County.

AFTER US.—We learn that San Mateo township is after a portion of Pulgas township. They want to gobble up Ralston and Belmont, but we are inclined to think Pulgas will object. The proposition is to come up for action on next Wednesday before the Board of Supervisors. This explains the object of some new law relating to townships, which has recently passed—that nobody knew anything about.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.—Grand Sire E. D. Farnsworth, of Tennessee, and Grand Master Harmon, will pay an official visit to Bay View Lodge, I. O. O. F., in this town, on next Wednesday evening. It is desired that every member of Bay View Lodge should be present on that evening.

A CAUTION.—On several occasions has been found open and a number of cattle and horses in the Cemetery. Curtis Baird, the Superintendent of the Cemetery, requests us to give notice that he intends to seize all stock found in the Cemetery and place them in charge of the Poundmaster. It is suspected that owners of stock have been making it a practice to open the gate for the express purpose of turning their animals into the Cemetery, for the reason that there is excellent feed in the enclosure. It scarcely seems probable that persons visiting the Cemetery could forget to close the gate, or that they would intentionally leave it open. The Superintendent will consider it a favor for any one who may notice stock in the Cemetery to notify him of the fact, for he is determined that the thing must be stopped.

THE REASON.—The reason why J. A. Shaber can and does sell furniture and bedding so much cheaper than any other dealer in San Francisco, is because he buys always for cash and sells for the same. He manufactures furniture and bedding, and pays all his workmen by the day, so it is no object for them to make poor work.

NEW TIME TABLE.—The new time-table of the S. F. and S. J. R. R. will be found in our advertising columns this week.

EFFORTS.—Efforts are being made to remove Gorham from his position as Secretary of the Senate.

CATARH.—Deafness, Diseases of the eye, Bronchitis, Asthma, and Lung Disease treated with success by Dr. Aborn, 22 Kearney street, San Francisco, after the ordinary modes of treatment have failed. *j22*

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Rev. Henry E. Jewett, now preaching in the Congregational Church at Redwood City, every Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

THE UNION SABBATH SCHOOL.—Meets at the Church, Redwood City, every Sabbath, at half-past 12 o'clock p. m.

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MY GIRL.

Prettiest,
Wittiest,
Among all the girls;
Liveliest,
Sprightliest,
More precious than pearls.
The fairest,
The rarest,
The sweetest of doves;
The dearest,
Sincerest,
And trust of loves.
She's playful,
She's gayful,
She's friendly and kind;
She's spareful,
She's careful,
She's all right in mind.
She faints not,
She paints not,
Like some silly girls;
She paints not,
She spouts not,
Because her hair curls.
Not childlike,
Not wildish,
Not running here, there;
Not fretful,
Coquetteish,
As some young girls are.
Not wealthy,
But healthy,
And charmingly smart;
A dandy,
With candy,
Cannot win her heart.
I coo her,
I woo her,
Kiss and caress her;
Thankful be
None but me
Ever can press her.

A FALSE STEP.

Sweet, you have trod on a heart,
Pass—there's a world full of men;
And woman as fair as thou art
Must do such things now and then.
Thou only hast stepped unaware—
Malice no one can impute.
And why should a heart have been there
In the way of a fair woman's foot?
It was not a stone that could trip,
Nor was it a thorn that could rend—
Put up thy proud upper lip.
Twas merely the heart of a friend.
And yet, peradventure, one day,
When sitting alone at thy glass,
Remarkings the bloom passed away
Where the smile in the dimple was;
And looking around thee in vain,
From the hundreds who flattered before,
Such a word as—oh, not in the main
Do I hold thee less precious, but more!
Thon't sigh very like on thy part,
Of all I have known or can know,
I wish I had only that heart
That I trod upon years ago.

Browning.

A DIRGE.

Sorry!
She is lying
With her lips apart.
Sorry!
She is dying
Of a broken heart.
Whisper!—
She is going
To her final rest.
Whisper!
Life is growing
Dim within her breast.
Gently!
She is sleeping;
She has breathed her last.
Gently!
While you're weeping,
She to heaven has passed.

WHY LOVE IS BLIND.

Not wholly, poet, from the eyes
Doth Love arise;
For words create, though ne'er express
This happiness.
Once at the portal of the ear
Let love appear,
There is no rest for heart or brain,
Till loved again!
No need of sight, enough for me
To hear, not see.
The god I serve is painted blind,
To show his eyes are in his mind!

California and Minnesota.

The report of the Surveyor General of Minnesota puts the wheat production of that State for the year 1869 at 18,500,000 bushels. The report of the Surveyor General of California of the wheat product of 1868 is 19,651,884 bushels. So that we were over a million bushels in excess of Minnesota's crop last year. Our wheat area was, 1,118,000 acres. The whole cultivated area of Minnesota last year was 1,600,000 acres. Her average was over seventeen bushels to the acre. Ours about the same. Minnesota claims to be the foremost wheat producing State. Our figures show that we beat her six per cent. It is likely that California now produces more wheat than any other State, and ours is certainly of the best quality. Minnesota has a total population of 470,000; California, 600,000. Their aggregate taxable property is but \$79,124,000; ours \$245,000,000. They have 750 miles of railway; we about 750. Minnesota has increased in population since 1865, forty-five percent. California shows hardly ten per cent, of increase in those years. In 1860 Minnesota's manufactures produced \$4,295,000; in 1880, \$14,831,000. In Minnesota, the land is open to actual settlers at Government price: here the best of our available lands are owned by railroad monopolies and land speculators and held at from \$8 to \$20 per acre.—Union.

Things Wise and Otherwise.

Feed a pig and you will have a hog.
Economy is the easy chair of old age.
Gain gotten with an ill name is a real loss.
Busy bodies have never anything to do.
He who has a trade may travel everywhere.
He that lives upon hope has but a slender diet.
He who sows brambles must not go barefooted.
The time to buy an umbrella is just after you have lent one.
A Watch-word.—Tick.
The Bible is the only book that people don't borrow from you.
Faults show plainer on a good man, like spots on a white garment.
Suffering from wet groceries is the polite name for drunk in Chicago.
Billious attacks are said to be very frequent about this time of year.
Does a clergyman who sprains his ankle necessarily become a lame'un?

Young folks grow most when in love. It increases their sighs wonderfully.
Sage tea is said to be sure death on borts; and the only thing that is good, and is harmless to the horse.

People in a passion seldom wish their questions to be answered at all, and never that they should be answered coolly and with reason.

Love, which is only an episode in the life of a man, is the entire history of woman's life.

He who has too many superfluities may be obliged to sell his necessities.

Cast no dirt into the well that has given you water when you were thirsty.

He who assumes airs of importance exhibits his credentials of insignificance.

Experimental philosophy—Asking a man to lend you money. Moral philosophy—Refusing to do it.

To mingle the useful with the beautiful, is the highest style of art. The one adds grace, the other value.

Those who engage in the pursuit of happiness should not encumber themselves with unnecessary things.

It is the ordinary way of the world to keep folly at the helm, and wit underneath.

Never expect any assistance or consolation in your necessities from companions.

The members of the Sorosis are talking about getting up a Shecumcouncil.

The first feeling experienced by a man who fall overboard is a sinking sensation.

A Tennessee distiller had four barrels of whiskey 'stoll by ruffins disguised with kraip.'

A young lady does not object to having her lips chapped, if the right chap is about.

The active have only the true relish of life. He who knows not what it is to labor knows not what it is to enjoy. Recreation is only valuable as it unbends us; the idle know nothing of it.

A man attempted to start a writing school in Denver, but after one week turned it into a liquor saloon and is now making money. The inhabitants say they 'don't want any angles in that town.'

Life has its thorns in every position, but the consciousness of having used one's power and endeavors to promote the happiness and good will of our fellow beings is a good comfort when we find the thorns lying thickly around us.

Never decline intercourse with one who has been your friend, without letting him know there is season to it.

Mind may act upon mind, though bodies be far divided for the life is in the blood, but souls communicate unseen.

Do unto men as they would like to do unto you and they won't have money enough in two weeks to hire a shirt washed.

Beecher says the 13th chapter of I, Corinthians is the most perfect description of a gentleman that was ever written or thought of.

Men are frequently like tea—the real strength and goodness is not properly drawn out of them until they have been a short time in hot water.

A Schenectady, New York, firm wants to exchange five hundred vei-locipodes for Confederate bonds.

To Cure and Smoke Bacon.

At this season of the year, all our farmers are preparing to salt their hams and bacon, so we propose to give them a receipt whereby salting and smoking can be done in one simpler and short process. Many of our housewives are forced to depend upon their neighbors for conveniences to smoke with. Those of us who have smoke-houses know how difficult it is to smoke just right. By this process all trouble is avoided. Take a large butter firkin cask, or barrel, according to the amount of meat you desire to smoke. Place it over a fire of corn-cobs with the corn on. Meat is highly flavored in this way. The corn seems to produce a better taste than cobs, wood or green walnuts. Let the tub smoke for five or six hours. To 100 pounds of meat take three pounds of coarse brown sugar, or three pints of molasses, and two ounces of saltpepper. Rub a little fine salt into the hams and shoulders, then put the meat into the smoke-tub, cover it with cold water, and turn in the salt, sugar and saltpepper, cover closely and set in a cool place where it will not freeze. If a scum rises on the brine, turn it off and scald and add a little more salt. If desired to keep through the summer, in early spring smoke the tub three or four hours longer, but pack the meat and turn on the brine all summer, and if the ham is cut return it to the tub for future use. Beef and tongues can be kept in the same manner, and there is no danger from insects. In six or seven weeks the beef is pickled and smoked enough to dry. This is the surest and most expeditious way of salting and smoking pork and beef, and if once tried will always succeed.—Arizona Miner.

THE TAX BILL.—Somebody proposes the following new amendment to the Tax Bill:

For kissing a pretty girl, one dollar.

For kissing a very homely one, two dollars; the extra amount being added probably for the man's folly.

For ladies kissing one another, two dollars. The tax is placed at this rate in order to break up the custom altogether, it being regarded by our M. C.'s as a piece of inexcusable absurdity.

Corsets were invented by a butcher.

Hearts may agree, though heads differ.

The dress of foreignness is mostly trimmings.

Slander is the revenge of a coward, and dissimulation his defense.

A good size—exercise.

Courting in the parlor, one dollar.

Courting in a romantic place, five dollars, and fifty cents for each of fence thereafter.

Courting in the sitting room, fifty cents.

Courting in the parlor, one dollar.

Courting in a romantic place, five dollars, and fifty cents for each of fence thereafter.

Seeing a lady home from church, twenty-five cents for each officer.

Seeing a lady home from the Dime Society, five cents, the proceeds to devoted to the relief of disabled army chaplains.

For a lady who paints, fifty cents.

For wearing a low necked dress, one dollar.

For each curl on a lady's head, above ten, five cents.

For any unfair device for entrapping young men into matrimony, five dollars.

For wearing hoops larger than eight feet in circumference, eight cents for each hoop.

Old bachelors over thirty are taxed ten dollars, over forty, fifty dollars, over fifty, sixty dollars, and sentenced to banishment in Utah.

Each pretty lady to be taxed from twenty-five cents to twenty-five dollars, to fix the estimate of her own beauty. It is thought a very large amount will be realized from this provision.

Each boy baby, fifty cents.

Each girl baby, ten cents.

Families having more than eight babies are not to be taxed, and for twins, a premium of forty dollars will be paid out of the fund accruing from the tax on old bachelors.

Each Sunday looter on the street corners, or about church doors, to be taxed at his full value, which is about ten cents.

Rich DISCOVERY.—Late Arizona dates say that eighty tons of Eugenite rock produced \$1,800 at the Gold mill near Prescott, at the last cleanup. A party of prospectors in the vicinity of Bradshaw Mountain, Pine Grove District, near the summit, have found what many declare to be the richest gold-bearing quartz ledge on the Pacific slope. The ledge has been traced 5,000 feet, and some twenty claims have been located. The rock found was partly decomposed. The gold shows plainly, and some of it is very coarse. Worked in a strain, results show it will yield from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per ton. The district is well timbered and watered.

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SHREVEPORT, CORONER.

The Vallejo Woman Suffrage Society consists of four women and seven men.

Importance of Learning a Trade.

Why is it that there is such a repugnance on the part of parents to putting their sons to a trade? A skilled mechanic is an independent man. Go where he will, his craft will bring him support. He need ask favors of none. He has, literally, his fortune in his own hands. Yet foolish parents, ambitious that their sons should 'rise in the world,' as they say, are more willing that they should study for profession, with the chances of even moderate success heavily against them, or run the risk of spending their manhood in the ignoble task of retailing dry-goods, or of toiling laboriously at the accountant's desk, than learn a trade which would bring them manly strength, health and independence.

In point of fact, the method they choose is the one least likely to achieve the advancement aimed at for the supply of candidates for positions as 'errand boys,' dry-goods clerks, and kindred occupations is notoriously overstocked, while on the other hand, the demand for really skilled mechanics, of every description, is as notoriously beyond the supply. The crying need of this country is for skilled labor; and that father who neglects to provide his son with useful trade in the same manner, and there is no danger from insects. In six or seven weeks the beef is pickled and smoked enough to dry. This is the surest and most expeditious way of salting and smoking pork and beef, and if once tried will always succeed.—Arizona Miner.

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